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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.
GRAND OPERA-HOUSE—"Our First."
OLYMPIA—"The Lord of the Dance."
FAIRBANKS—"A Royal Hand."
FOWLER—"Fiddlers' Paradise."
STANDARD—Rose Hill's Burlesque Co.

Weather forecast for twenty-four
hours, commencing at 8 a. m. to-day,
for Missouri: Colder; local rain or
snow in northern, fair in southern por-
tion.

Weather forecast for twenty-four
hours, commencing at 8 a. m. to-day,
for St. Louis: Fair, followed by light
rain; colder.

YESTERDAY'S SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH
was a hummer.

No good reason has yet appeared for
the passage of laws by a minority vote of
Congress.

YESTERDAY'S SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH
distanced its competitors in bright, read-
able special features.

If the neglect of the St. Louis interests
at Washington at the critical time will
bring us the World's Fair we will get it.

The World's Fair question seems to have
changed in the Congressional mind from
the form, "shall it be held? to, shall
it be held?

We are sorry to hear that the Lathrop
example of disorder is spreading, but we
are prepared to do our duty in reporting
the news.

The weekly payment of wages will be
one of the most important subjects for leg-
islation before the next General Assembly
of Missouri.

The best report of the Vail tragedy,
with startling incidents which create sus-
picion of foul play, appeared in yester-
day's SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

The mysterious elopement from the
House of the Good Shepherd Saturday
morning was published exclusively in yester-
day's SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

The telegraphic news of the SUNDAY
POST-DISPATCH was not repeated in any
local newspaper, and was better and
fuller than that of any other paper.

The wonderful increase in the want ad-
vertisements of the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH
yesterday proves the immense popu-
larity of the want advertising picture.

The account of the scandalous conduct
of the guests of the Lucas-Hunt wedding
at St. Alphonsus Church was an exclusive
scoop of yesterday's SUNDAY POST-DIS-
PATCH.

ALEXANDER of Battenberg is regarded
as a manly Prince, but he has not been
subjected to the crucial test of wearing a
Highland kilt as the case of his brother
HENRY.

The first full account of the beginning
and work of the Lathrop anti-saloon cru-
sades with the pictures of the leading
crusaders appeared in yesterday's SUNDAY
POST-DISPATCH.

The complete statement of the Still-
well murder mystery with the suspicious
circumstances connected with it appeared
for the first time in yesterday's SUNDAY
POST-DISPATCH.

For the benefit of our esteemed con-
temporaries, we repeat our remark that
our daily circulation in the City of St. Louis
is equal to that of both the morning
papers put together.

The news from Kansas to the effect that
there will be no opposition to the re-elec-
tion of Senator INGALLS proves that the
straddling incapacity of the great Kansas
straddler is unimpaired.

The only proper solution of the Lathrop
trouble is for the authorities to punish the
law-breaking saloonkeepers and the law-
breaking crusaders. Thus the dignity of
the law will be vindicated.

The report of Senators FAYE and
DAVIS on the Union and Central Pacific
funding schemes shows that the Repub-
lican majority in Congress is about to
carry out their bargain with the monop-
olists.

REYBURN, who was nominated by
publicans to succeed Judge K. M. M.
millions by manufact-

roads, they hope

cause the rural districts victimized by his
lightning-rod peddlers will have no voice
in the city district he aspires to represent.

The Siberian horrors are getting to be
an international European question,
thanks to that English influence which
shuts its eyes to the Armenian horrors
perpetrated by MOUSSA BEY.

PERHAPS the best thing the Senate can
do with the Montana Senatorial contest
would be to throw it out and compel the
new State to do without Senatorial rep-
resentation until its Legislature can elect
Senators properly.

A WASHINGTON book canvasser named
REED did a lively business with the dele-
gates to the Pan American Congress, who
were under the impression that they were
dealing with the Speaker of the House.
After their experience with WANAMAKER
the delegates, doubtless, thought that they
were expected to "do business" with all
the Federal officials.

The ovation Congressman BUCKALEW is
receiving from certain party organs will
not last long. It proceeds from a mis-
taken impression that he deserted the
Democrats and took sides with the Repub-
licans in the contest over the rules, merely
because he voted "no" in the roll call
when the other Democrats refused to vote
at all. He not only voted against every
Republican proposition but made a power-
ful argument against the new rules.

A PARTY ORGAN puts REED's new code of
rules on a par with LINCOLN's call for
troops to put down the rebellion. But it
is not a sectional rebellion this time. A
revolt of the city wage-workers and of
the mortgaged farmers of the whole
country against unjust taxation and sub-
sidy legislation is what Speaker REED is
trying to put down by force, and he has
no such popular majority of both parties
at his back as LINCOLN had.

INSTEAD of being backed by a majority
of the country, Speaker REED's party in
the House represents the vote which
elected HARRISON when CLEVELAND had
a plurality of over ninety thousand votes.
He is running the House with votes show-
ing less than a majority of the members
elected, and his plurality in the years
and days was obtained by such gerrymander-
ing as that which gives the Republican
Congressmen from Ohio an average of
only 26,000 votes each, while the Demo-
cratic Congressmen from the same State
have to represent over seventy-nine thou-
sand each.

The remarkable success of our offer to
give a beautiful picture to every person
inserting a want advertisement in the
SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH is manifest to all
the readers of the paper. The number of
advertisements of this class in yester-
day's issue was nearly three times as
great as in the issue last preceding the
inauguration of this generous enterprise.

The people who have availed themselves
of the offer have adorned their homes
with beautiful works of art, in addition
to securing the value of their money in
advertisement, while the value of the
paper to the public and to advertisers
in general has been greatly increased. As
the organ of the vast army of people who
want to buy or sell, employ or be em-
ployed, its growth in popularity must be
rapid.

The article in yesterday's SUNDAY POST-
DISPATCH on the subject of weekly wage
payments was of the deepest interest to
workmen and to all who have the true
interests of labor at heart. Many repre-
sentatives of various branches of labor
were interviewed and every one con-
demned the practice of withholding the
wages earned by employees for a month.
The practice results in gross injustice to
wage-workers. It gives all the advantage
to the employer who enjoys the use of
money which belongs to employees. Out
of it grow the monstrous evils and wrongs
of the company store and the suffering
which debt brings upon the families of
laborers. Common justice calls for the
abolition of this custom and the State
should compel the weekly payment of
wages in all cases in which it has the
power to do so.

Mr. F. L. Marshall,
Representing the POST-DISPATCH on 'Change,
will be on the floor during business hours
and will call on merchants who desire to make
use of the POST-DISPATCH market reports. Tele-
phone 284.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.
CONSTANT READER.—Buy a copy of the World
Almanac for 1890; it will answer a million
questions.

WATERBURY.—There is no time savings
bank in this city at present.

R. A. T.—The word "Kismet" is Arabic in
its derivation and signifies fate.

P. F. H.—A promissory note is outlawed in
this State ten years after it is due.

A. O. T.—The tone of London very consi-
derably exceeds that of Liverpool.

STRAIGHT FLUSH.—Jack, queen, king, ace
and deuce do not constitute a straight.

BOXY.—Address the American Consul in
London for the information you require.

A. E. C.—It would require too much space
to give a full description of all the different
processes of making steel rails.

DELMAR AVENUE.—Apply to Frank Gallenhi,
Exposition building, for information concern-
ing the "Veiled Prophet" souvenir program.

BADEN.—A marine engineer must obtain a
license from the Boiler Inspector before he
can manage a stationary engine in this city.

SUBSCRIBERS.—The French steamers leave
New York every Saturday. Their time to
arrive is about eight days.

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LEFT TO HIM.

Attorney-General Wood to Decide
What Is to Be Done in the
Midland Case.

Prosecuting Attorney Withers and
Commissioner Ellerbe Do
Not Know Who Should
Proceed.

The Prosecuting Attorney of Jackson Coun-
ty Says That It Is Not Within His Pro-
vince to Begin Criminal Prosecution Un-
less Complaint Is Made to Him by the In-
surance Commissioner. The Insurance
Commissioner Thinks His Duty Ends
With Compelling a Civil Settlement.—He
Will Leave the Matter, However, to the
Attorney-General. The Case Will Be
Submitted to Him on the 23d and Mr.
Ellerbe Will Abide by His Decision.

TELEGRAM re-
ceived from Kan-
sas City states
that Prosecuting
Attorney Withers
has been notified
that the Midland
Insurance Co.'s
officers, which
was published in
the Post-Dis-
patch, but has
not yet been able
to take any action
unless complaint
is made to him
by Insurance Commissioner Ellerbe. It
will be remembered that when Supr. Ellerbe
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